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| For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR  | ) | Date: March 23, 2009                |
| SECURING A PALLET-STONE TO  | ) |                                     |
| AN ESCAPEMENT PALLET OF A   | ) |                                     |
| TIMEPIECE MOVEMENT          | ) |                                     |

**COMMENTS (C) ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 22, 2008, please enter the following comments regarding the application identified above as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS**

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed December 22, 2008, Applicant makes the following Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance presented by the Examiner in the Office Action of December 22, 2008, at 2, lines 2-7. The Examiner's Reasons for Allowance paraphrases the language of the allowed claims. Therefore, to the extent that the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance mischaracterize the allowed claims 12-16, Applicant objects. The claims, as written, speak for themselves. Applicant agrees that the claimed invention would not have been obvious at the time the invention was made, and that no prima facie showing of anticipation or obviousness could be made in view of the prior art of record.

Questions are welcomed by the below-signed attorney for Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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